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THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Yes, Sir. A stay order had already been issued. The matter is under consideration. Even as it is, there is a lot of competition for these lands at the existing rate."

Anti-malarial squad in Chirakkal taluk, North Malabar.

* 793 Q.—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any anti-malarial squad is working in Irukkoor and Thaliparamba firkas of Chirakkal taluk, North Malabar;

(*b*) if so, the number of members of the staff working with their designation and pay;

(*c*) the villages in which this squad had operated; and the result of its operation; and

(*d*) the expenditure incurred up to date?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) One health Inspector on Rs. 60—3—90—4—130;

One Field Assistant on Rs. 25—2—45;

One Maistry on Rs. 20—1—30;

One peon on Rs. 18—½ (A)—25;

with special pay equal to 25 per cent of pay and dearness allowance according to the pay actually drawn, and travelling allowance as per the Madras Travelling Allowance Rules.

Ten Mazdoors, during the spraying season, on local market rates of pay.

" (*c*) Pulingome.
Vayakkara.
Thodikkadavu.
Naduvil.
Eruvasi.
Payyavur.
Nuchiad.
Vayathur.
Parikalam.
Kanhileri.
Nadungome.
Cherikode.
Kaithapuram.
Ellaranhi.
Kayumbayi.
Cheparamba.
Netiyanga.

Malaria transmission has been controlled.

" (*d*) Rupees 61,200 from 1949 to 1953."

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" Is the Hon. Minister aware that this D.D.T. spraying should be done before the starting of the rain and before the starting of the monsoon? Otherwise there will be no effect by the spraying of D.D.T. and malaria would only be widespread. Is it not a fact that this D.D.T. spraying was not done at the proper time because the staff employed were small in number, the pay and allowances granted to them are only a pittance and the area they had to serve was so extensive? In the light of these facts will the Hon. Minister see to it that adequate staff are

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appointed for the purpose with adequate pay and allowances? Will the Hon. Minister also see to it that the spraying of D.D.T. is done at the proper time?"

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—"By the spraying of D.D.T., Malaria has been effectively arrested in the area referred to by the hon. Member."

Improvements to the Beypore and Kozhikode ports.

* 794 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any directive or instructions from the Government of India regarding the improvement of Beypore and Kozhikode ports; and

(*b*) if so, what steps the Government have taken in this direction?

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—"(*a*) No, Sir.

"(*b*) The question does not arise."

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—"In view of its historical importance and in view of the fact that the Beypore port could be raised to the status of a major port at less cost and in view of the fact that representations have been made to that effect to Government, will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works see to it that Beypore is raised to the level of an All-Weather Minor Port?"

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—"This question is under the consideration of the Government of India. I should think a hydrographic survey of the port is to be completed shortly. No final decision could be taken before that. Two dredging experts have visited the port and their report is due. As soon as we hear from the Government of India, I think we can move in the matter."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—"In view of the fact that Kozhikode Port cannot be used during monsoon season and the boats have to take shelter in this Beypore Port, will the Government of Madras address the Government of India to expedite their decision?"

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—"Yes, Sir. In spite of the fact that Beypore Port has not been developed, various schemes for the development of the Kozhikode Port have been undertaken by the Government of India. They have approved various schemes costing in all Rs. 3,18,000 for the development of ports under the Five-year Plan. We shall further communicate with the Government of India in the light of what the hon. Member has said."